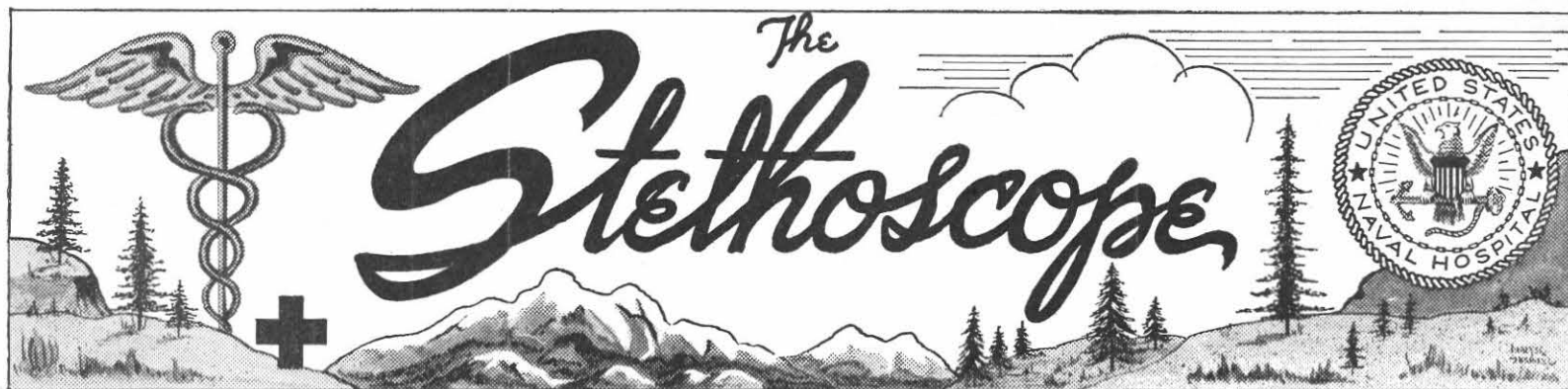


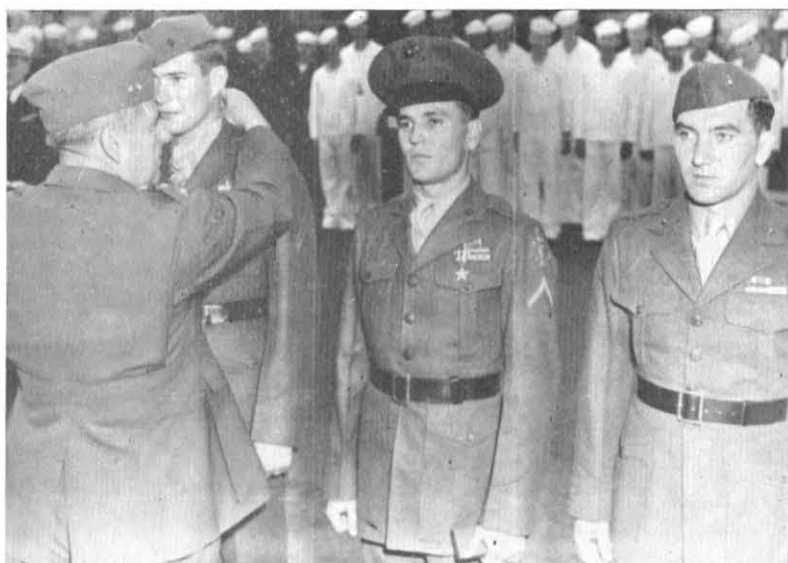


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DECORATIONS GIVEN 3 MARINES



Left to right are Gen. J. C. Fegan, Pfc. R. Sorenson, Pfc. R. Foss and Cpl. C. Demo, who figured prominently in last Wednesday's presentations that featured the first awarding of a Congressional Medal of Honor at this hospital.

PFC. R. K. SORENSON RECEIVES CONGRESSIONAL HONOR MEDAL

Formal formation in front of the Administration building marked the presentations of the Congressional Medal of Honor, the Silver Star medal, the Purple Heart and a Commendation Citation to Marine patients and featured an address by Captain J. T. Boone at this hospital on Wednesday, July 19th.

GENERAL J. C. FEGAN KIN OF ADMIRAL W. L. MANN

General Fegan's visit to Seattle to present the Congressional Medal of Honor to Marine Pfc. Richard K. Sorenson had double significance, for it marked a reunion with his brother-in-law, Rear Adm. William L. Mann (MC), district medical officer of the 13th Naval District.

Presented by Major General Joseph C. Fegan, U.S.M.C., commanding general, Department of the Pacific, the nation's highest tribute, the Congressional Medal of Honor was awarded to 20-year-old Richard Keith Sorenson of Anoka, Minnesota, for saving the lives of five fellow Marines in a shell hole on Kwajalein by throwing himself on a Japanese grenade and thereby taking the full force of the explosion.

Private Sorenson became the second living enlisted Marine to hold the Congressional Medal of Honor, which was bestowed on him in the name of the President and the Congress of the United States.

The Silver Star Medal was presented to Pfc. Robert L. Foss, for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity during action against enemy Japanese forces in Tarawa, Gilbert Islands, November 20 and 21, 1943. He assumed command of his squad when its leader became a casualty during the first day of the assault and performed his duties as a squad leader in an aggressive and courageous manner until the mission was accomplished. He also received the Purple Heart for wounds suffered at Guadalcanal.

Corporal Chris G. Demo received the Commendation Ribbon for outstanding work as a motion picture photographer during the Tarawa operation. He landed with the assault waves the first day, coolly taking pictures on the beaches and throughout the action, always at great risk of life and limb. Not only did he exhibit great personal bravery, but his work was such that authorities say the best combat pictures yet filmed during this war were obtained.

New Construction Gets Under Way

Feverish activity in new building around the hospital has the patient "construction kibitzers" gathering daily to watch proceedings. Work is being completed by the Bailey and Gaasland Construction Cos., and for the hospital, is under the general direction of Lt. Comdr. W. J. H. Nelson, Public Works Officer.

Designed by Staff member

William J. Barbour, CM2c, attached to the hospital staff, prepared and assisted in the preliminary drawings for all current construction.



W. J. Barbour

Before joining the service, Barbour was active as an architect with Hercules Powder Co. in Wilmington, Delaware. He is now on duty in Public Works Department at this hospital.

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BARROOM STEALS GAY NINETIES SHOW

Complete to the cash register, an old fashioned barroom set won complete approval from the packed house at last Friday night's Gay Nineties Show in the Recreation Hall.

With a cast composed of Corpsmen and Waves, an old fashioned "mellerdramer" depicted the sin and unhappiness of saloons and demon alcohol in the "90s." Members of the cast in the one-act drama that brought tears, cheers, hisses and vegetables from the audience were:

R. Denton (Wave)	The Child
G. Minzel, PhM2c	Frankie Boy
R. Cornish, PhM3c	The Villain
C. Dykeman, AS(V-12)	Father
D. Parker (Wave)	Mother
D. Davis, PhM3c	The Drunkard

RED CROSS RECEIVES NEW STAFF MEMBERS

Two social workers joined the Red Cross staff here last week. They are Virginia Pfeiffer, transferred from the U. S. Naval Hospital in San Diego, whose home is in Los Angeles, California, and June Elliott from Eugene, Oregon, who came here from the U. S. Naval Training Station in Farragut, Idaho.

A six-piece 1890 band played throughout the show in a style that left no doubt as to their vintage. An olio completed the evening with the following acts:

"She Was Somebody's Mother"—McCargar, Hastings, Grover.
 "The Flora Dora Darlings"—Deacy, Pherson, Medeiros, Celeric.
 "Faint Heart, Fair Lady"—Groher, Lowery.
 "Curses, What a Sound"—Olson, Grover, Medeiros.
 "Little Nell"—M. Carey.
 "He Saw Better Days"—Olson, Deacy, Minzel.
 "Tonsorial Artistry"—Higginbotham, Slings, Lichty, Eaton.
 The "mellerdramer" was directed by George Groher, Sp(W)1c of the Chaplain's office.

KAY FRANCIS HERE AUG. 1

Back from her jeep tour of the European front, Kay Francis, famous actress, will entertain and "shoot the breeze" with patients at this hospital next Tuesday.

Miss Francis starred in the recent picture, "Four Jills in a Jeep," which depicted her true experiences with three other movie queens in the fighting zones of Africa and England.

Keep On Buying War Bonds

The Stethoscope

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A TRIBUTE

It is neither the custom nor practice of the Commanding Officer to voice heartfelt sentiments with the death of personal friends, but a justifiable exception exists in the untimely death of Brigadier General Theodore Roosevelt. Not only was he a personal friend of mine, but a very distinguished American.

General Roosevelt, as the son of the affectionately known "Teddy" Roosevelt, who became famous as the Colonel of the Rough Riders in the Spanish-American War, and following that war, to become the youngest President of the United States, followed in his father's footsteps in many respects during a crowded and short 56 years of life. As had been his father, Ted Roosevelt was a Colonel in a foreign war; an Assistant Secretary of the Navy, a statesman, explorer and writer. Besides he was his party's candidate for Governor of New York; he was Governor of Puerto Rico, and later Governor-General of the Philippines. Prior to World War I he acquired the theory of soldiering at Plattsburg Camp, founded by General Leonard Wood. He experienced soldiering on the battlefields of France, where at an early age he rose to the high position of command of a regiment in the Meuse-Argonne.

Before Pearl Harbor, seeing dangers ahead for the Nation, he surrendered his peaceful and successful civilian pursuits and put on the uniform of his country. He took part in the landing operations of Northern Africa, Sicily and Italy and is reported to have been the first general officer to land with troops on the Normandy beachheads in the amphibious operations of our Allied Forces. He truly sacrificed his life for his country. He died a casualty of war on the battlefield of France, where on two occasions during his life he had fought to free that nation of its German conquerors.

Always was Ted Roosevelt a leader with a dynamic, aggressive personality, a fair sportsman, loving a fight for the zest of combat, yet I do not believe ever retaining rancor in his heart for his personal, official, political or national enemies. He believed strongly and fought hard for those principles in which he firmly believed.

It was my privilege to work and play beside this young heroic figure. I have camped and fished with him. I fought with him in France and watched him from a vantage point while he was Assistant Secretary of the Navy. His family is intimately known to me. It has been my rare privilege to sit in family councils at Sagamore Hill, the famous Roosevelt home at Oyster Bay, New York, over which his beloved and charming mother presides. To her he looked for guidance through his career and to interpret his beloved and deceased father. As with all human beings, Ted Roosevelt was not always right and it is a tribute to say that he made mistakes, but he recognized his errors in judgment and profited by those errors. Were he to have willed under what circumstances he would respond to the Great Summons, I firmly believe that in doing so it would have been as it occurred, in the service of his country, fighting for the liberation of his fellow men.

J. T. BOONE, Captain (MC), U. S. Navy
Medical Officer in Command

NURSES' NOTES

"All Generals and no Privates," is Miss Netter's pet expression these days. Another addition to the Generals (well, Lt. (jg) anyhow) is Miss N. Cellini. Congratulations!

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"They're off" . . . the nurses joined the chorus at the races last Sunday. Whether they won or lost (financially), they all had a good time eating hot dogs and picking horses.

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Miss M. Shumar has left the ranks to run a house-keeping detail. Ensign Irene Zalewski shoved off for U. S. Naval Hospital, Great Lakes.

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Ensign A. J. Oines is starting her Navy career at our hospital. Miss Oines' home is in Brookings, South Dakota, and Fairview Hospital, in Minneapolis. We are happy to have her and wish her lots of luck on her first cruise.



Q. In what position did Secretary of Navy Forrestal enter the naval service?

A. Seaman, second class.

Q. What are the "roaring 40s"?

A. Stormy westerly winds encountered in a geographical belt located between 40 and 50 degrees south latitude.

Bigelow Trio Marked Reunion



Father, Mother and Daughter were reunited here.

A recent inspection trip to this hospital by Lieut. Comdr. A. F. Bigelow (HC) USN, was augmented with the pleasure of seeing and officially inspecting the work of his daughter, Ensign Bernice P. Bigelow, Wave Officer who heads the Property and Accounting office here. Mrs. A. F. Bigelow visited at the home of Captain and Mrs. J. T. Boone for three weeks.

Chaplain's Corner

DIVINE SERVICES

Recreation Hall

CATHOLIC

Chaplain.....Oliver P. Zinnen
Sunday Mass.....0630, 0730 and 0930
Week-day Mass.0620, (unless otherwise announced).

Confessions: Before every Mass in the Recreation Hall. Saturdays: 1530 to 1700, and after the first movie, in the Chaplain's Office. When there is no movie, 1800 to 1930.

PROTESTANT

Chaplain.....G. W. J. Hartzel
Holy Communion.....0830
Morning Prayer and Sermon.....1030
Choir Rehearsal.....Wednesdays 1700

Condensed from a Famous Sermon by

HARRY EMERSON FOSDICK

One of the most important things every man has to decide is how shall he meet the musts of the world . . . what shall be his attitude and spirit as he faces life's inevitable compulsions.

Jesus said there is only one right way . . . and that is to do more than you are compelled to do. He stated it dramatically: "Whosoever shall compel thee to go one mile, go with him two."

The way to avoid the slavishness of necessity is of your own accord to be willing, if possible, to do more than is demanded. The first mile alone is drudgery. The glory comes with the second mile.

History loves to record the names of men who conquered the malice of their fate by this spirit of the second mile . . . men like the old Greek chosen in a joke to be town scavenger, who filled the office with such high serviceableness that thereafter in all Greece the office was an honor; men like blind Huber becoming the great scientist, or blind Fawcett becoming postmaster-general of England; men like Cervantes using an imprisonment to begin Don Quixote, or Bunyan glorifying Bedford Jail with the Pilgrim's Progress.

And this same spirit is found in many humbler expressions, as when the young woman wrote her friend out of her invalidism, "At first I thought somehow to make the best of it, but now I am planning to make the most of it." These folk of more abundant willingness travel with us the first hard mile of compulsion, but they make it beautiful with the second mile of consecration.

This principle of Jesus, then, divides a man's conduct into two parts, the compulsory and the voluntary, the things he must do and the things he chooses to do, the first mile and the second. It says, moreover, that only as the voluntary overspreads and saturates the necessary can life cease to be slavery and come to its full meaning of dignity and value.

The roll call of the world's spiritual heroes reveals not a single one-mile man. They have all, in one way or another, gone the second mile.



Spearing a starfish with a boat-hook proved the prize catch for Wave Ann Medeiros, PhM 3c, at the yachting party recently.

The first Wave of this hospital to be ordered to the new field of "low-pressure-chamber training," Angeline Caiola, PhM 3c, reported last week to the air station, Alemita, Calif., to begin the extensive course. Upon finishing her training, she will be stationed at an air field for duty assisting in this phase of pilots' training. This branch of service was opened recently to the Waves.

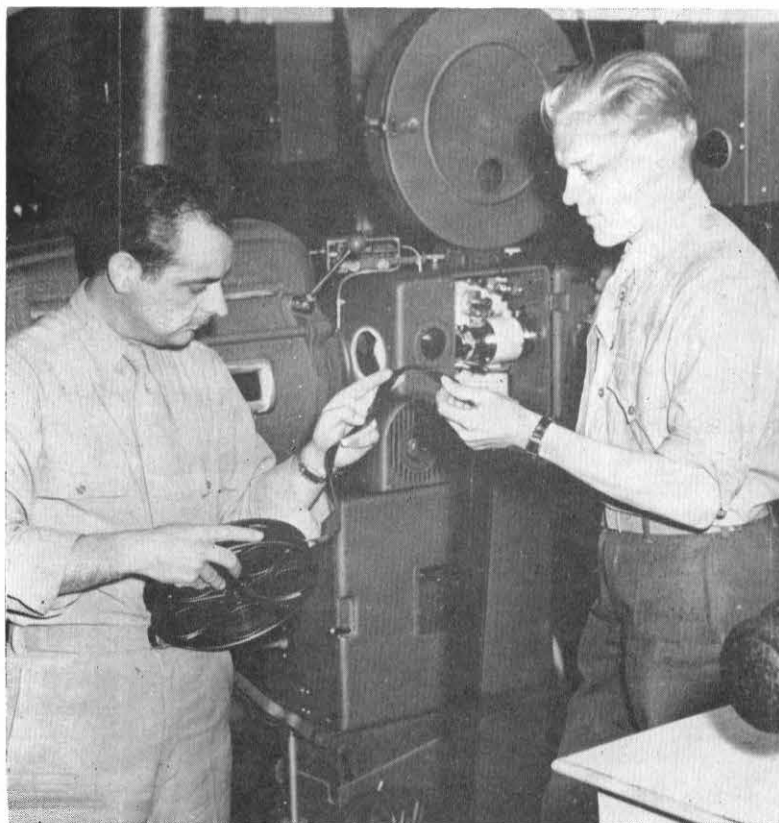
New Buildings Started

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In the shape of new buildings and additions, the following jobs are expected to be completed in the next two months:

1. Hospital Chapel.
2. Combination Post Office, Occupational Therapy and Disbursing Office with continuous enclosed corridor to facilitate paying.
3. Scrub and Wash building between Wards 8 and 9 for patients' personal laundry.
4. Addition to Laundry, 45 feet to rear and 30 foot wing which will almost double present floor space.
5. Enclosed and heated Bus Waiting Station at main gate where present waiting shelter now exists.
6. ECG-BMR Diagnostic Laboratory located across from X-Ray building.
7. Addition to Bachelor Officer Quarters to provide 4 more rooms.
8. Addition of 6 rooms to female civilian quarters.
9. Addition to bag storage building and enlargement of loading platform.
10. Addition to Galley that will incorporate a mess hall and diet kitchen for special diet patients.
11. Extension to Medical Storeroom increasing floor space 25 per cent.
12. Public Works Office and First Lieutenant's Office north of present paint shop.
13. Present Outside Detail building to be converted to Fire Department quarters and enlargement of outside Detail office.
14. Extension to street lighting system to give compound complete illumination.
15. Addition to Recreation Building to provide more space for Ship's Service Store, Tailor Shop and Barber Shop.
16. Huge Paint Shop south of the Corps Quarters.
17. Storeroom number 3 being constructed across from Corpsmen Quarters.
18. Alteration of present paint shop for increased occupational therapy facilities.

PACIFIC VETERANS OPERATE MOVIE BOOTH...



Cpl. O. T. Alexander and Pfc. F. S. Baker demonstrate technique that requires continual alertness during each movie performance. They assume the responsibility of thousands of dollars of equipment at each showing.

While audiences convulse with belly laughs at a Mickey Mouse short or humorous full length feature, two movie maestros in the "second deck" booth wipe honest perspiration from their brow every night except Wednesdays in the Recreation Hall.

These "flicker" operators, both members of the Marine Corps, are F. S. Barker, Pfc., veteran of Tarawa, and O. T. Alexander, Cpl., veteran of the Marshall Islands.

Barker, who is chief operator, grew up in the projection business in Maiden, North Carolina, while Cpl. Alexander studied sound and lighting under the auspices of the Marine Corps at Twentieth Century-Fox Movie studios.

In addition to complete operational and maintenance work on projection equipment and accessories, operators Alexander and Barker service and manipulate a slide projector, spotlights, stage lighting and the public address systems. They humor themselves occasionally with the knowledge that their jobs pay \$3.30 an hour on the outside.

Interesting also is the fact that our hospital theatre has two DeVry sound and projection machines that turn 2,450 revolutions per minute. The average feature movie runs from 5 to 7 reels, which represents about 12,000 feet of film.

Naval Hospital Day At the Races . . .

J. (Jockey) Plute putting out the straight dope on the ponies. Seems as if he knows the jockeys' girl friends. What's good in the Fifth on NAVY DAY, Plute?

"Flash" Ramme catching the winning nags as they crossed the wire.

"The 'Rhythm Doctors' putting out on the solid side between races.

That Wave HA1c who was putting her money on the trumpet player to cross the finish line first.

The "Dental Dillies" looking at the horses' teeth and then making their bets.

The BIG crowd at the Cashier's windows after the FIFTH and SEVENTH races; USNH Staff predominating.

The Kentucky thoroughbred who romped home with winnings from every race but one.

The odds on HYPO going from \$50 to \$2 to \$7-5 at the start of the THIRD race. Could there have been that many "Docs" and Nurses betting on their favorite instrument?

Last, but not least, is the Doctor who said, "This is my first time at the races" . . . but was always at the Cashier's window.

Buy War Bonds



This department was highly honored at the visit of the old swat-master (retired), Ty Cobb, on Monday, July 17th. He was truly one of the greats of baseball. Ty set a record one season of 97 bases stolen when he played with Detroit. As Ty explains it, "In those days, we played to a slower ball." Personally we admire his modesty. His record proves that he was one of the fastest runners in baseball, and we doubt if there will ever be another player as good as the "Georgia Peach" during his lifetime. He dominates the minds of men who love the sport and will go down in history on the roll of honor with such "greats" as John McGraw, Lou Gehrig, Babe Ruth and Walter Johnson. All top ballplayers who acquitted themselves admirably and played the game as sportsmen and champions.

Who was the greatest fighter of them all in each of the weight divisions?

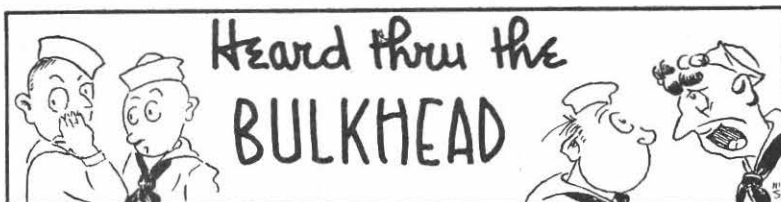
This question was submitted to the nation's sports writers by Esquire magazine.

Results: Heavyweight, Jack Dempsey; Light Heavyweight, Bob Fitzsimmons; Middleweight, Mickey Walker; Welterweight, Henry Arm-

strong; Lightweight, Benny Leonard; Featherweight, Johnny Kilbane; Bantamweight, Terry McGovern.

A Little Diamond Data

Johnny Vander Meer, who has more hop on the ball than you would find in a tin of Mexican beans, won his fifth straight for the Sampson Naval Training Center by bowling over the Scranton Eastern League club, 11 to 3. It was the 13th victory in 14 starts for the sailors. . . . Chester Laabs, formerly a defense plant worker, has announced he's ready to resume full-time outfit duty with the St. Louis Browns. This news failed to stand the baseball world on its ear, however, because when last heard from Chester was batting a cool .135. . . . Capt. Buddy Lewis, ex-Washington third sacker, won the DSC for distinguished service with the AAF in Burma. . . . CPO Bob Feller fanned 12, allowed 2 hits, slammed out two singles in a South Pacific game between his ship and another. . . . Bill Johnson, ex-Yankee third baseman and merchant seaman, soon will enter the Navy. . . . Rejected by the Army are Jeff Heath, Cleveland outfielder; Vince DiMaggio, Pittsburgh gardener.

**PAY LINE PALAVER . . .**

Alphabet soup couldn't have been more mixed than the pay lines last week following the new pay procedure that left "cash conscious" sailors wishing their name was Allah.

Waves with the information that all pay lines will be run in alphabetical order, announced that they will marry anyone whose name runs between Aaron to Azzle just to get paid before chow time.

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I think that I shall never see
A girl refuse a meal that's free,
A girl with hungry eyes not fixed,
Upon the drink that's being mixed.
A girl who doesn't like to wear
A lot of junk to match her hair.
But gals are loved by guys like me
'Cause I don't like to kiss a tree!

GIs GET GREEN LIGHT ON BATTLE SOUVENIRS

Washington (CNS)—Soldiers who want to pick up and bring home souvenirs from the battlefield have been given the green light by the War Department—as long as they don't dig up any buildings.

It's OK with the WD if GIs want to bring back small pieces of enemy equipment collected on the battlefield. Some of the things they may not bring back, however, are name plates removed from captured equipment, items containing explosives and items whose usefulness to the Army or whose value as scrap outweighs their value as war trophies.

Men returning to the U. S. with souvenirs collected abroad must have certificates in duplicate signed by a superior officer stating that soldiers are authorized by their theater commander to bring the articles home. Parcels mailed home must also contain a similar certificate.

SPECIAL! NURSES ONLY

WHITE SHOES Cleaned 25c

**SHIP'S SERVICE SHOE
Shine Stand . . . in Barber Shop**

LEARN TO SWIM

A swimming class is open to patients and corpsmen every Tuesday night from 2000 to 2100, at the Sand Point Naval Air Station.

A bus leaves the Recreation Building at 1930. Sign up in the Recreation Office before 1200 each Tuesday. Patients signing up should bring a written permission permit from your ward doctor stating that it is permissible for you to participate in swimming. Patients need not rate liberty to attend. This class is free of charge.

A sailor we'd like to meet
To deliver a kiss on each cheek
Is the guy who'll confess
That he used to earn less
Than a hundred dollars a week!

* * *
Say it with flowers,
Say it with sweets,
Say it with kisses,
Say it with eats,
Say it with jewelry,
Say it with drink,
But wise up, Sailor,
Don't say it with ink.

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There's one Wave at this hospital
who's so used to having her own
way that she writes her diary three
weeks in advance.

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LATEST CRY OF THE WOLVES:
"Let us Prey."



Dear Doc:

I'm one of these guys that's lucky at cards and unlucky in love.

Now I had a gal, and I treated her like ice cream. Gave her this and gave her that, made concessions, respected her purity and then bingo, after I spent a coupla hundred sugah notes . . . put jewelry on her arms and neck . . . she jest got pouty, cold and gave me the go sign.

Now hear this! I know the above is not good technique . . . but d— it, Doc, I'm made right! I jest got to be good to gals, or I jest don't set right inside!

Yours truly,
Texas.

P. S. Should I put in for Sea Duty?

Dear Texas:

Your handwriting reveals you're too good for mortal woman. It's unfortunate, indeed, that American womanhood today is made up of "Namby Pambies" who refuse to cook, bear children and above all treat a good man like yourself right! My advice to you is . . . spend your money on good Scotch (if you can find any these days).

Sympathetically yours,
Doctor Quack.

P. S. Stay ashore until after the election.

Mail your domestic troubles to Dr. Quack in care of the Stethoscope and they will be promptly solved . . . If you wish a private answer please include a self-addressed envelope.

Meet Your Doctor . . .**LT. CDR. DAVID O. HARRINGTON**

Quiet but impressive is Doctor D. O. Harrington, who prescribes hundreds of eye corrections for Navy patients here each week in addition to various treatments and surgery of the eye.

Located at the EENT clinic in Ward 23, Doctor Harrington is our Ophthalmologist, which is a surgeon and physician who has specialized in the diagnosis and treatments of all disorders of the eye. He is famed for his accuracy in classifying eye strengths with the highly intricate machine known as a phoro-optometer.

Before entering the service, the doctor was associate professor of Ophthalmology at the University of California's Medical School as well as maintaining a popular private practice in San Francisco. He is a member of the California Medical Association, Pacific Coast Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Society, American Medical Association, American Academy of Ophthalmology and the Association for Research in Ophthalmology. He has been certified by the American Board of Ophthalmology, which complements his prestige in view of the fact that there are only 1500 to 2000 certified Ophthalmologists in the entire United States.

This hospital is indeed fortunate

to have had Dr. Harrington as a staff members almost since its commissioning almost 2 years ago. He has invented a new type of tonometer that registers the tension of the eyeball.



Lt. Comdr. David O. Harrington

His medical education was received at the University of California, plus two years of post graduate work in Vienna, London and Edinburgh. Of Irish descent, the Doctor takes particular delight in presenting weekly lectures to corpsmen here, and boasts as a hobby, his wife and two children, plus a bit of amateur photography.

Hershey, Pr. (CNS)—Things are so tough here that Milton S. Hershey, 79-year-old millionaire for whom this town and the famous candy bar were named, occasionally sells his own candy at a Hershey Park candy stand on Sundays.

Philadelphia (CNS)—When Miss Lillian Miles caught a burglar in her apartment, she didn't scream or faint. She merely bit him on the hand. He dropped his pistol, howled and left hurriedly.

THIS WEEK'S FUNNY BROADCAST

London (CNS)—Berlin's radio, in a broadcast monitored here, solemnly reported Japan's "peace terms" to the U. S. as follows:

1. Confiscation of the entire U. S. Navy.
2. All large merchant ships to be placed at Japan's disposal.
3. All expenses to be paid by the U. S.

Ty Cobb Talks Ball with Patients

Tyrus Raymond Cobb, famed for his American League base-running and batting ability, pepped up patients last week with autographed baseballs and plenty of dope on the "old days" of ball playing.

He was introduced around the hospital by Royal Brougham, Post-Intelligencer sports editor, and in the course of his visit, ran into several patients from his home territory.

The celebrated "Georgia Peach" astounded everyone with his ability to pick out pre-war ball players as they lay on their beds. His long association with the baseball business enabled him to foil the trick of several "jokers" seeking to palm themselves off as ball players in an attempt to disprove his magical "scouting" knack.

Cobb's first public baseball appearance in Seattle, lent color on Monday night, July 17, to the baseball exhibition at Sick's Stadium between two all-star nines selected from the Seattle, Portland, Holly-



John Gresh, AOM1c, of Ward 1, holds autographed baseball from Ty Cobb.

wood and San Francisco Pacific Coast League teams.